Recruitment of Police Constables.

20. MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total number of applications received by the Commissioner of Police in connection with the recent recruitment of Constables to the Police Force from the members of (i) the Christian, (ii) the Muslim and (iii) the Ezhava communities;

(*b*) the number selected from each of the above communities; and

(*c*) the number of Constables selected on 26-11-1108?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*):

	Christians.	*Mussalmans.*	*Ezhavas.*
(*a*)	400	115	170
(*b*) depressed classes	8	Nil.	Nil.
(*c*)	29		

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): Will the member be pleased to state whether the standard of qualification, for selection to the Police force, was the same for all the candidates?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): I am not able to hear.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): Will the member be pleased to state whether the standard of qualification, for selection to the Police force, was the same for all the candidates, irrespective of their caste or creed?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): No.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know the basis?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): They were classified separately according to caste.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): Am I to take it that a man of one community with higher qualifications will be considered to be equal in efficiency to one of another community but of lower qualification?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): Applicants belonging to the depressed classes and to communities least represented, need know merely to read and write in order to be recruited as constables; but, in the case of Brahmins, Nayars and other advanced communities, the applicants should have studied up to the VI form or passed the Malayalam School Leaving Certificate Examination.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): Am I to take it that an illiterate man of the depressed classes will be considered to be more efficient than a qualified man of the so-called advanced communities?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): Applicants belonging to the depressed classes who know to read and write are preferred to applicants belonging to the more advanced communities.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether there was any special reason for not selecting any one from two of the three communities referred to in my question?

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MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): Yes. I had clearly stated in my Notification in the *Gazette* that preference will be given to applicants belonging to the depressed classes and to the least represented communities. I got the required number of men even from these communities so that there was no occasion to consider any application from members of other communities.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Am I to take it that the Muslim and Ezhava communities are adequately represented in the Police force?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): Yes; they are better represented than some of the other communities from which men were actually recruited recently.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): The member stated in reply to part (c) of the question, that 29 constables were recruited on 26-11-1108. May I know the communities of those 29?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*):

	Appeared.	*Rejected.*	*Accepted.*
Pulaya Christians	51	47	4
Do. Hindus	34	33	1
Paraya Christians	44	40	4
Do. Hindus	10	9	1
Maravars	10	7	3
Velars (potters)	17	15	2
Kuravars	5	5	0
Barbers	59	55	4
Kanians	10	9	1
Arayans	51	50	1
Pathians	2	2	0
Valluvans	9	8	1
Valans	4	4	0
Tandans	19	18	1
Mukkuvars	20	19	1
Idiyans	16	16	0
Vaniyans	38	33	5

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): What is the basis on which those rejections were made?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): Want of height, want of chest measurements, and want of general health.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): Out of the men selected by the department, was any one rejected by any other authority?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): Two out of these 29 were rejected by the medical officer.

MR. G. NILAKANTAN (*Nominated*): May I know why no Kammalan was recruited?

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MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): As I said, the vacancies were filled up even with the recruits from less represented communities.

MR. G. NILAKANTAN (*Nominated*): Are not the Kammalas less represented in the Police force than some of the communities from which recruitment has actually been made?

PRESIDENT: You cannot go on arguing the question like that.

MR. K. SANKARAN (*Kartikapalli I*): May I know the number of Police constables belonging to the Ezhava community?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): I have not got the figures with me now.

MR. K. SANKARAN (*Kartikapalli I*): Then, may I know the data on which the member based his statement that the Ezhava community was better represented than the communities from which the recent recruitments were made?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): I have not got the figures now.

MR. K. SANKARAN (*Kartikapalli I*): Sir, without knowing the number of Ezhavas in the Police force, how can the member make a statement that the Ezhavas were better represented than some other communities?

PRESIDENT: What he told you then was that he has not got the figures *now*.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): May I know whether the Government have issued any rules or directions in regard to the principles to be followed in the matter of recruitment to the Police force?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): Yes.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): Are such directions issued every time a batch of constables is recruited?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): There is a Government Order on this subject, and that is followed.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): May I know from the member the effect of communal representation on the efficiency of the Police force?

PRESIDENT: That question does not arise.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): May I know why different qualifications were prescribed for different communities?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): That is based on a Government order.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): I want to know the reason for that.

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): I do not know that; the order was passed before I took charge as Commissioner of Police.

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MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Is not the member speaking on behalf of the Government?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): Yes.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Then, may I know the reason which actuated Government to prescribe different qualifications for different communities?

PRESIDENT: The Police Commissioner has already told you that he is not in a position to answer that question.

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): I claim notice.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Sir, it was stated that the Brahmin applicant must have higher qualifications than.....

PRESIDENT: Mr. Asan, please do not pursue the question further; the purpose of interpellations is to get information.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): May I know.....

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): On a point of order, Sir. The member has already claimed notice.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): I am going to ask another question, Sir. May I know whether the Brahmins are less represented in the Police force.....

PRESIDENT: That does not arise.

MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): ഇത ആളുകളെ എടുക്കുന്നതാണ് എന്ന് ഗസറ്റിൽ പരസ്യം ചെയ്തിരുന്നോ?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): അങ്ങനെ പരസ്യംചെയ്യാൻ നിവൃത്തിയില്ല. പരസ്യം ചെയ്തകഴിഞ്ഞു് അല്പദിവസത്തിനിടയിൽ ഒരു പത്തുപേർ മരിച്ചുപോയാൽ ഗസറ് നോട്ടിഫിക്കേഷനിൽ പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുള്ള ഫിഗേഴ്സ് തെറ്റായിട്ടുവരും.

MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): മേലാൽ പോലീസുഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലേക്കു ആളുകളെ എടുക്കുമ്പോൾ ഉദ്ദേശമായിട്ടെങ്കിലും ഇത ആളുകളെ ആവശ്യമുണ്ടെന്ന് പരസ്യംചെയ്യാൻ ദയവുണ്ടാകുമോ?

MR. B. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Commissioner of Police*): അങ്ങനെ ചെയ്യാം.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether the Government will consider the question of withdrawing the Gazette Notification prescribing different qualifications for different communities?

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): On a point of order, Sir, the question hardly arises.

PRESIDENT: It is out of order.

Statement by caste of fresh appointments made in the Secretariat from 1-1-1106 to 31-11-1108.

21. MR. K. SANKARAN (*Kartikapalli I*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a caste-war statement showing the

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